

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

George Hammond Barnes Farm

AND/OR COMMON

Clarke Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West side of London Bridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Gambers,

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Carroll

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☒ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Maryland Department of Natural Resources Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Tawes State Office Building

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis,

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Md. 21401**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Carroll County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

Liber #: 693

Folio #: 703

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

STATE
Md.**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

___EXCELLENT
___GOOD
☒FAIR

___DETERIORATED
___RUINS
___UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

___UNALTERED
___ALTERED

CHECK ONE

___ORIGINAL SITE
___MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Barnes Farmhouse, located on the west side of London Bridge Road, southwest of Gamber, is a two storey clapboard-over-log structure probably dating from the second quarter of the nineteenth century. A one storey frame wing with a shed roof addition along its west facade and a lean-to open porch along its east facade was constructed in the twentieth century. The overall plan is an "L" shaped one. Both sections rest on stone foundations. Both sections have standing seam tin gable roofs. The main section has a boxed cornice with shallow cornice returns. Interior brick chimneys are located at both gable ends of the main block. An exterior conder block stove flue along the western gable end replaces this chimney.

The main (South) facade is six bays wide with a one storey shed roofed open porch with 1" X 4" supports extending across the entire facade. The porch rests on fieldstone piers. Entrances are located in the second and fifth bays. The western-most door is a plain beaded board door; the eastern-most door, which has been blocked off, is four paneled. Windows occupy the first, third, fourth, and fifth bays. On the second story windows are also found in the first, fourth and fifth bays. Windows on both the first and second storey are 6/6 sashed with plain timber surrounds.

The rear (north) facade originally had a similar doorway/ window opening configuration. The one-storey kitchen wing, however, obscures all but the two eastern-most bays. The eastern-most bay is characterized by a 6/6 sashed window on the first and second storey. A doorway, which has been blocked off defines the adjacent bay. Its corresponding fifth bay doorway now functions as an interior threshold between the kitchen wing and the main section. The window in the western-most bay, which also has been closed off, is still visible in the shed-roofed addition to the west of the kitchen wing.

An entrance is located in the eastern facade of the kitchen addition.

Little alteration has occurred to the interior of the main section. The first storey is two rooms with winder stairs located in the north-west corner of the west room and the southeast corner of the east room. The fireplaces are very plain rectangular openings with simple wooden mantel shelves. The walls and 7 foot high ceiling are plastered. The finished flooring is wide-planked pine.

The second floor was originally two rooms. The east bedroom has been sub-divided into a modern bathroom and a smaller bedroom.

The attic reveals very little conclusive information with regard to the age of the house. Most rafters and supportive members show circular saw marks indicating that most probably the roof is a later replaceme Of curious note is that at midpoint in the attic clapboard exists at

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Barnes Farmhouse is a good example of log-constructed dwellings which throughout the first half of the nineteenth century was the most common type of building material in both the rural and urban areas of Carroll County. The 1837 tax assessment record, for example, indicates that 64 percent of all houses in the county were of log construction. This use of log construction reflects the German and English heritage of these early settlers of Carroll County. Furthermore, the two storey five bay arrangement of the main structure with double entrances on the principle facade and interior gable-end structures exhibits the typical English and German influences. Lake, Griffing & Stevenson's 1877 Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County, lists George H. Barnes as the owner of the house and farm.

Land records research is inconclusive with regard to the builder of the Barnes Farmhouse. He acquired numerous parcels of land between 1844-1878. Upon his death in 1903, his real estate totaling 127 acres was sold at public auction to his sons John T. and George A. This land was part of two major estates. The first included part of the land of O. Buckingham of Carroll County who owned a portion of a tract of land known as Buckingham's Venture. The second included part of the land belonging to the late John Gorsuch, also of Carroll County, who held ownership to part of a tract of land called Dundee.

A partial Barnes genealogy list located in the files of the Carroll County Historical Society reveals that George Hammond Barnes was born March 3, 1820 and died December 10, 1903 at the age of 83. His sons were John Thomas Barnes who was born June 18, 1852 and died October 15, 1906 at the age of 54 and George Alfred who was born September 23, 1853 and died December 15, 1951 at the age of 68.

Recommendations

Like the nearby Barnes Farm, this property should continue as an active agrarian complex.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Week, Christopher, The Building of Westminster in Maryland.
Fishergate Publishing Company, Inc., Annapolis, Maryland, 1978

Glassie, Henry, Patterns in the Material Folk Culture of the Eastern United States. Philadelphia, Univ. of Pennsylvania Press, 1968.
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Bridget Deale, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

August 1979

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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at what would be the gable end of the eastern half of the structure, if the structure was built in two stages. A doorway has been cut through the clapboard allowing access into both parts of the attic. There are no other indications, however, that this house was ever expanded except for the 20th century kitchen wing.

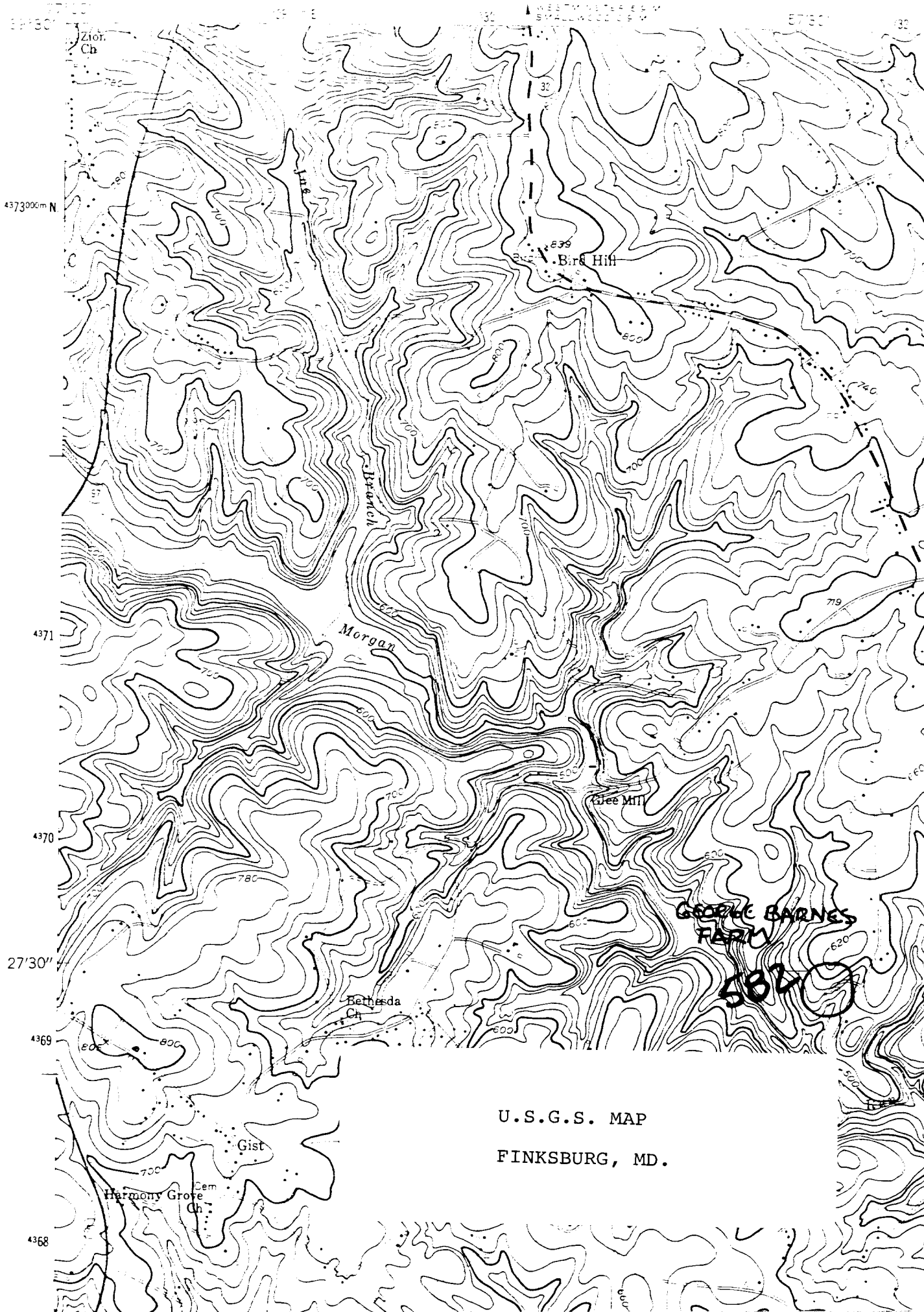
Various outbuildings are located nearby. The two most outstanding are a log smoke house and a bank barn. The log smoke house measuring roughly 9-1/2' by 11' is 1/2 dovetailed construction with a wooden shingled gable roof. The bank barn which is mortise and tenon and then pegged, has a delightful pressed tin gable roof.

George Hammond Barnes Farm - Title Search

<u>Land Record/ Date</u>	<u>Grantor/Grantee</u>	<u>Description</u>
693/703 2/1/1978	Clarke, Allen and Anna H. to State of Maryland	50.935 acres
EAS 208/50	Lancaster, Joseph to Clarks, Allen & Anna H.	Same parcel with the addition of 7.483 acres which Cooney sold to Lancaster(EAS204/410)
EAS 204/410 4/18/1950	Cooney, William S and Ruth P. to Lancaster, Joseph F. & Ruth M.	same parcel of land containing 57-3/4 acres
LDM 176/30 11/23/1932	Bullock, Morton Y., Atty. to Pimlico Bldg. Ass. Inc.	Same 57-3/4 acre parcel of land
EMM 143/543 8/1/1925	Reaver, Samuel D. to Leaf, John A. & Louise H.	Same parcel referred to as parts of tracts of land called Dundee & Buckingham's Venture situated on Poole County Road(now London Bridge Road) and Morgan Run
EMM 143/564 12/8/1923	Miller, Walter W. & Martin, Barbara to Reaver, Samuel D.	Parcel increases to 86 acres
DPS 100/314 11/18/1904	Barnes, John T. and George A. (executors of the estate of George H. Barnes) to Barnes, J. William	"Executors of the last will and testament of George H. Barnes, on 8/8/1904 sold at public auction for the sum of \$22,000 the real estate hereinafter mentioned as a tract containing 127 acres".

1) a 4 acre tract GEW 29/87
2) a 19 acre tract WAMcK 31/505
3) a 20 acre tract WAMcK 34/155
4) a 58 acre tract WAMcK 33/139
5) a 30 acre tract FTS 49/63
6) a 30 acre tract FTS 47/177
7) a 4-3/4 acre tract FTS 49/416

All of these parcels of land were
acquired between 1844 - 1878



U.S.G.S. MAP

FINKSBURG, MD.



GEORGE BARNES HOUSE
WEST SIDE OF LONDON BRIDGE RD.
CAMBERS, MARYLAND CARR-582
MORGAN RUN NEA
NE. ELEVATION 7/79 BMD



CARR-582

GEORGE BARNES HOUSE

WEST SIDE OF LONDON BRIDGE ROAD

GAMBERS, MARYLAND

MORGAN RUN NRMA NEA

S.E. ELEVATION

7/79 BMD



GEORGE BARNES SMOKE HOUSE
WEST SIDE OF LONDON BRIDGE RD.
GAMBERS, MARYLAND

MORGAN RUN NEA CARR-582
N.E. ELEVATION 7/79 BMD



GEORGE BARNES BARN

WEST SIDE OF LONDON BRIDGE ROAD
GAMBERS, MARYLAND

MORGAN RUN NEA

CARR-582

S.E. ELEVATION

7/79 BMD